

# Base X Eagle



CERI-1

Base X, Deployed Location

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## CERI kicks off

### 18th Wing deployed ops underway

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Flying operations are underway at Base X, (representing a contingency location) with the successful deployment of a full complement of warfighters, aircraft,

and associated cargo in support of the 18th Wing's Combat Employment Readiness Inspection which began today.

The wing team set up the base in record time, fol-

lowing last week's deployment of communications, fire and response forces, medics, chaplains, personnel, fuels, munitions, civil engineers, command post, legal reps, services, security forces and many others.

"This is an opportunity to show our commitment, dedication and professionalism--basically everything that we're made of--to the team of inspectors," said Brig. Gen. Jim Smith, 18th Wing Commander.

Aircrew and aircraft maintainers began flying combat missions with this morning's launch of numerous F-15Cs.

### Safety first

"Safety and professionalism are our primary considerations and will be throughout the deployment," said Smith. "This includes taking the necessary steps to do the job right, staying hydrated and maintaining situational awareness."

Aircrews and aircraft maintainers are accomplishing twice as much to sustain the high operations tempo required during a surge--which is a term used to describe the increased numbers of sorties flown.

### Working hard

"Our maintainers have been doing a superb job, ensuring our aircraft are mission ready," said Col. Doug Cochran, 18th Operations Group Commander.

During a typical surge, aircrews fly twice a day, and maintainers have twice the number of aircraft to prep and launch, according to Cochran. Also part of the CERI, the wing team will be evaluated on its response to a number of simulated chemical and mortar attacks.

### Deployments

"It is important to remember that the CERI is viewed on an international level," said Smith. "What we are doing this week is real...it sends a message to allies and potential adversaries alike."

With the millennium fast approaching, the CERI wraps up a very busy year for the wing.

18th Wing units were deployed throughout the world, to include Southwest Asia, Korea, East Timor, Australia, Guam, Kosovo, and Alaska, among others, in addition to a full scale Combat Employment Readiness Exercise deployment conducted in October.



**Members of the deployed 18th Wing fire and response team extinguish a simulated fire during a recent exercise at Base X.**

## Law of Armed Conflict

*By Deployed Legal Office*

Personnel at the base must report possible violations of the Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC) so further assessment and upchannel reporting is possible.

If you suspect a possible violation, obtain the facts and inform your supervisor, commander, the SRC, or the Command Post.

The following are examples of possible violations:

- ➔ Deliberate attack on medical aircraft, facilities, or personnel.
- ➔ Willful misuse of the Red Cross or similar protective emblems.
- ➔ Use of the flag of truce for the purpose of a sneak attack, or deliberately firing on a flag of truce.
- ➔ Deliberately attacking protected civilians, areas, objects or buildings (i.e. a hospital).
- ➔ Willful devastation not justified by military necessity.
- ➔ Intentional use of civilian clothing to conceal military identity during battle.
- ➔ Plunder or pillage of public or private property.
- ➔ Willful compulsion of POWs or civilians to perform prohibited labor.
- ➔ Maltreatment (i.e. rape, maiming, torture, etc.) of POWs, detainees, or others in temporary custody.
- ➔ Deliberate killing of persons while such persons are in US custody.

Base personnel must also report any requests by foreign nationals for political asylum, temporary refuge, or defection.

## Dining Hall schedule

The Quick Turn dining hall's hours of operation are as follows:

<b>Breakfast</b>	MRE	0200-1000
<b>Lunch</b>	HOT	1000-1400
<b>Dinner</b>	MRE	1400-2200
<b>Midnight</b>	HOT	2200-0200

MRE's and bottled water may be picked up at the Quick Turn or ECP 4.

## Exterior lights off at night

All facilities, equipment and functions left unattended at night must have exterior lights turned off during darkness. All lighting that is visible from the outside must be extinguished or covered during Alarm Blue.

## Chapel schedule/services

A chapel team will be available for on site counseling and assistance 24 hours daily throughout the deployment. The team will make frequent on site stops to different work centers, in an effort to meet and talk to people.

Feel free to visit the chapel team at Bldg. 3384 at their office 8-9 a.m. and 10 to 11 p.m.

## Bus schedule, on & off Base X

Round-the-clock bus service began Dec. 6 for those participating in the CERI at Base X. About every 15 minutes a bus will leave the bus stop, Building 444 (located across the street from the Kadena Commissary), and take passengers to ECP 4.

## ATSO reminders

- Decon before entering a facility in MOPP 4
- Take immediate cover in alarm blue
- Only mission essential personnel should be walking around outside during Alarm Black
- Carry ATSO guide with you at all times for quick reference
- Inspect your mask TODAY
- TEAMWORK is the key to airpower

## Check in at ECP 4

Members are required to check in at ECP 4 when starting a shift. Water, MREs and decon kit refills are available at ECP 4-- 24 hours a day.

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